

# MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

## BROOKLYN CITY COUNCIL

August 2, 2005

6:00 p.m.

All members of Council were present. Chairman Balbier called the meeting to order and stated the purpose was to go over the status of the fire station and updates on construction and costs.

Mayor Patton had some news to share, stating that he received call from Congressman Kucinich informing him that the city received \$1.6 million for the upgrade of I-480 and Tiedeman Road interchange. As far as the fire station, the bids came in over the \$4.4 million estimate and there were alternatives given for consideration, including having the classroom reduced by 500 sq. ft. He asked Norm Casini to speak.

Norm Casini, the project architect, said that he had reviewed the site and the topography has an 8-10 foot slope, which will require retaining walls, as there is a question with draining due to the slope. This accounted for the higher costs coming in.

Roger Riachi, the construction manager, said they will use a combination of additional fill and retaining walls, and reviewed the schedule again for everyone. He also said he went back to the drawing board and met with the architect to go over everything. He's recommending a contingency of 5% or \$200,000 to the Council, and he went over each item and asked for decisions on what to keep/accept. He reminded everyone that there is already a couple of weeks of time lost to the schedule. He added that if he gets notified by Council this week what to do, he can mobilize in the next 10 days if it is approved.

Dir. Fisk introduced Jeff Rink from Key Bank who spoke on debt service analysis and bonds for the fire station, funding \$5,345,000. He gave everyone a handout laying out options based on length of time. He reviewed his chart and figures and there was discussion on rates and possible fluctuations in basis points.

Mr. Riachi then went over all the proposed deductions/changes (27), one by one, with discussion and explanations about each. Additional discussion was held about special facilities for women, which Mr. Casini addressed. Mrs. Pucci asked about the status of the training tower. Mr. Casini said that was a \$300,000 add if it is wanted. Dir. Fisk added that it was not part of the original plans, and it was not part of the \$3.8 million estimate of the fire station, though it was discussed as an alternate. He said the site work is still there, and the pad will be there for it. There was brief discussion about a tower.

Dir. Shaper then went over a handout for the compensation for the construction manager and how it is computed. There was discussion about the aspects of and goal of the addendum to the contract.

The next item was for the roof repair at City Hall's front entrance. Dir. Kappler explained that this would be covered under State Contract, and work would be performed by Tremco for \$44,687.17. The Council will approve it at the special meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, **MOTION** by John Frey, second by Colleen Gallagher to adjourn. **VOTE RESULTED:** Yeas – Gallagher, G.Frey, Coyne, J.Frey, Balbier, Pucci, Brown. Nays – None.

Meeting adjourned.

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Secretary